

Husband's Name: **JOHN LAWRENCE SOUTHARD**

Born: 15 July 1879 Hornerstown, Monmouth County, NJ
 Married: 22 September 1901 Oceanport, Monmouth County, NJ
 Died: 23 October 1911 Bordentown, Burlington County, NJ
 Buried: *Bordentown Cemetery*, Bordentown, NJ
 Father: EDWARD A. (*ABEL*) SOUTHARD (1846 to 24 September 1898)
 Mother: MARY MURPHY (1850/2 to 20 July 1943)

Wife's Name: **ELIZABETH RUTH PARKER**

Born: 5 October 1882 Monroe Township, Middlesex County, NJ¹
 Died: 22 January 1932 Trenton, Mercer County, NJ
 Buried: *Bordentown Cemetery*, Bordentown, NJ
 Father: WILLIAM HENRY PARKER (19 April 1854 to 26 February 1901)
 Mother: SARAH M. (*MARY*) PERRINE (14 September 1854 to 20 March 1933)

Issue:	Born:	Where:
1) EDITH WILSON SOUTHARD	9 June 1903	Crosswicks, Burlington County, NJ
2) MARION ELIZABETH SOUTHARD	7 February 1904	Crosswicks, Burlington County, NJ
3) DOROTHY RUTH SOUTHARD	17 January 1907	Bordentown, Burlington County, NJ
4) JOHN WILSON SOUTHARD	29 April 1910	Bordentown, Burlington County, NJ

They were married by PASTOR MATTHIAS S. MESSLER at the Oceanport Methodist Episcopal Church in Eatontown Township. HENRY HENDRICKSON and his wife NANCY stood as witnesses. A wedding announcement in the *Red Bank Register* stated:

MISS ELIZABETH PARKER of Clarksburg and JOHN L. SOUTHARD of Chesterfield were married Sunday night at Oceanport Methodist parsonage by REV. M. S. MESSLER...The couple are living at Oceanport where MR. SOUTHARD is employed by SAMUEL SMOCK."²

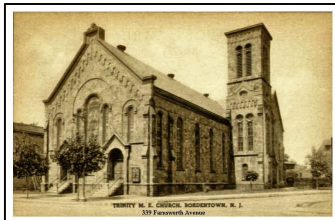


Home of John L. and Elizabeth Southard, Main Street, Crosswicks, circa 1905

JOHN worked on the Eatontown Township, Monmouth County farm of SAMUEL SMOCK for a short time in the early 1900s.³ Soon after marrying, no later than June 1903, ELIZABETH and JOHN moved to Crosswicks in Burlington County. It is known they lived in the house pictured on Main Street (Indian Trail) around 1906 but it is not known if this was their only home in that town for the four or more years they lived there. They apparently moved into the Main Street house after HENRY and

AMANDA STOUT moved out. The next tenants were HERMAN and MOLLIE PITMAN.⁴ By 1907 they had moved to 54 Crosswicks Street, between Second and Borden Streets, in Bordentown. JOHN was employed as a railroad coachman during some of this time. By 1910 he had become an assistant to an undertaker, probably CLARK ROGERS or NORMAN PEPPLER as they are the only two known undertakers in Bordentown at that time.⁵ JOHN apparently was instrumental in getting WALTER G. PENHALLOW, the principal of Bordentown Public School acquitted of charges of *indecent assault* made by HATTIE ARONSON at the end of 1909. After a first trial found him guilty, a retrial was ordered for two or more reasons and one of those was the additional evidence provided by JOHN L. SOUTHARD to the effect that he ran into the plaintiff who was in conversation with *a married man* while he was out *exercising his dog*. The man, named MCKEAG, asked him to not reveal to anyone that he had seen them together. A second trial was ordered and Penhallow was acquitted of the charge on 25 June 1910.⁶

In 1910 EDITH attended the kindergarten at the First Methodist Church in Bordentown (right). EDITH and a fellow student caught diphtheria in September 1910 and both were dead the following month. ELIZABETH contracted the disease while caring for her daughter. It was reported that an “aunt” of EDITH’s also contracted the disease but she was not named. The First Methodist Church building was immediately closed to prevent further spread of the deadly



disease. EDITH died from diphtheria on 3 October 1910, though two area newspapers reported that it was “MARION SOUTHARD, 7 year old daughter of JOHN SOUTHARD” that had died.^{7,8,9} She was posthumously baptized at Trinity United Methodist (left; now Trinity Methodist-Episcopal) and was buried in *Bordentown Cemetery*; more information appears in the section about EDITH (below).

Just over a year after the tragic loss of her eldest daughter, ELIZABETH suffered another major loss – her husband JOHN died of pulmonary tuberculosis on 23 October 1911.¹⁰ Obituaries appeared in several local papers.¹¹ The funeral was conducted at 9 am on Friday October 27th from their home at 54 Crosswicks Street under the direction of CLARK B. ROGERS, followed by a Requiem High Mass at 10 am at Saint Mary’s Roman Catholic Church in Bordentown and burial in *Bordentown Cemetery*. One family story is that he died of complications of an auto accident in which the handcrank in front struck his chest, while another was the exertion of cranking over the engine led to his death, however neither one is mentioned on the death certificate as a contributing factor. Both are possibilities in that JOHN may have had tuberculosis that was not acute and a chest injury or the overexertion could lead to complications. Just how Mass came to be said at a Roman Catholic Church is not known but they lived across the street from the church. One possibility is that the grieving widow, unable to cope, left the details to her mother-in-law MARY (MURPHY) SOUTHARD who was Catholic.



In the *Trenton True American* dated Friday, 30 August 1912 a Crosswicks notice states *Elizabeth Southard spent Thursday with her sister, Mrs. Edna Chapman*.¹² This was probably her sister Lillian. Unable to manage, ELIZABETH was forced to separate the children at first. MARION

lived with JOHN'S sister, EMILY WOODWARD, in New Egypt but she was no longer there in 1915; and DOROTHY lived with her mother's sister, LILLIAN on the CHAPMAN farm in Sykesville, New Jersey during part of the time. While there DOROTHY'S friendship with her cousin MYRTLE CHAPMAN, LILLIAN'S daughter, who was also born in January 1907, deepened.¹³ In 1915 DOROTHY



SUTHARD, born in January 1907, is attending Bordentown Public School and living with R. MARGARUM, a 66-year-old widowed farmer living in Bordentown Township. Also in the house are two females in their 30s, presumably the farmer's daughters: MARY, a 32 year old housekeeper and MAUD, a 36 year old stenographer.¹⁴ WILSON (JOHN), just 1 ½ years old, went to live with his grandmother, MARY SOUTHARD. In later years WILSON told his wife that he

stayed with his grandmother until he was sixteen, which would have him returning to his mother in 1926. As will be shown, he was mistaken in this observation, possibly due to his young age, as mother and son were reunited by 1920 if not earlier.¹⁵ WILSON is not enumerated with MARY SOUTHARD or his mother in 1915; his whereabouts remain a mystery. By 1915 ELIZABETH had moved to Trenton where she was working as one of two maids for JOHN H. and ELIZABETH BACKES and two of their daughters; the other maid was ELLEN KAVANAGH and they both lived with their employer at 186 West State Street. BACKES was appointed *Vice-Chancellor for the New Jersey Court of Chancery* in 1913 by the CHANCELLOR EDWIN R. WALKER. However, ELIZABETH'S whereabouts do remain a mystery for about five years.¹⁶ It may be that eventually her daughter DOROTHY, and perhaps MARION, were cared for by the nuns at Saint Mary's Cathedral in Trenton and ELIZABETH wanted to be near them.¹⁷ In 1917 ELIZABETH SOUTHARD, the "widow of JOHN," resurfaces in the Trenton City Directory. In that year she is living with her brother-in-law EDWARD SOUTHARD at 1726 East State Street, just off Nottingham Way, in Hamilton Township, Mercer County. It is a safe assumption that ELIZABETH had moved to this address by mid- to late 1916 so as to allow inclusion in that directory. EDWARD SOUTHARD was an auto mechanic who specialized in tires. They are at the same address the following year.¹⁸

During 1918 ELIZABETH moved to her own home at 886 East State Street at Hampton Avenue where she was running a confectionary store as found in the 1919 Trenton City Directory. Not too far from the yet-to-be-built 3rd Trenton Central High School on Chambers Street, MARION probably attended Junior 2 at Tyler and Chestnut, next door to the 2nd High School. The closest elementary school appears to have been US Grant on Grant Street. Years later DOROTHY would live just 3 blocks away at 328 Euclid Avenue. The schooling options available to DOROTHY and WILSON are uncertain. ELIZABETH'S 1920 Trenton City Directory listing of "SOUTHARD, ELIZABETH, widow of JOHN," is identical to the one of 1919.¹⁹ Finding ELIZABETH in the 1920 census proved extremely difficult. The author has a few photographs which were "taken at the store" according to DOROTHY (MATELENA) NABINGER. One photograph has ELIZABETH with "a neighbor, EDNA DENELSBECK," in the backyard of the property. Locating the DENELSBECK family in the 1920 census proved to be the key. Found living at 878 East State Street, DR. JULIUS DENELSBECK and his wife EDNA were neighbors of ELIZABETH SHOURDS and her three children: MARJORIE, DOROTHY and WILSON at 886 East State Street, between Chambers Street and South Olden Avenue.²⁰ The incorrect surname of SHOURDS is a mystery, as SOUTHARD is a well-known name in Trenton. Living with ELIZABETH in 1920 were two lodgers: WILLIAM SMITH, thirty years

old, and WALTER BRETTON, thirty-five.

ELIZABETH soon thereafter, if not by this time, met JOSEPH VANKIRK (born August 1865) who lived at 522 West Ingham Avenue, a few blocks north of the Battle Monument, with his son RALPH VANKIRK in 1922 and 1923.²¹ In 1910 JOSEPH was living at 229 Boston Avenue in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania with his two children, RALPH and ANNA and working as an insurance agent.²² Ten years earlier he was a milkman living at 2522 Sydenham Avenue in the same city with his wife ANNA (born May 1861). The census returns indicate they had been married in 1893 or 1894. Both children were born in Philadelphia, ANNA on 22 January 1895 and RALPH on 25 March 1901. While the records mostly agree that he was born in New Jersey and researchers pinpoint Hopewell Township, there are at least candidates in the 1880 census. One is indeed in the North Hopewell District where a 13 year-old JOSEPH VANKIRK is found as a laborer on the farm of THOMAS and ELIZABETH TERHUNE. The second JOSEPH VANKIRK is the 14 year old son of LARENCE and CAROLINE VANKIRK living at 2435 Delphi Street in Philadelphia. All were born in New Jersey and there is another son named WILLIAM who is eleven years younger than JOSEPH which almost agrees with their ages in the 1940 census. LARENCE is a carpenter who can not work due to consumption, *i.e.* tuberculosis. Which of the two is the correct one is anybody's guess but my money is on the second one. In 1920 JOSEPH was the superintendent of an insurance company, the Equitable Beneficial Association. More of a match-maker than an insurance company, the Equitable resulted in three SOUTHARD marriages: the first was in November 1922 when ELIZABETH'S daughter DOROTHY married ALBERT MATELENA who was an insurance agent there followed by ELIZABETH and JOSEPH'S marriage in March 1923; the third marriage was five months later when her daughter MARION married DANNY NAPLES. A "BEN" NAPLES worked at the Association as an agent but available records suggest the name BEN may be wrong, as no known BEN NAPLES lived in Trenton. MARION maintained that she worked for JOSEPH VANKIRK as a secretary, probably in 1919 or 1920. According to MARION events transpired as follows: she met DANNY NAPLES at a dance held at Woodlawn Pavilion, she then took a job as a secretary at the Association where she introduced DANNY to her boss JOSEPH. DANNY became an agent for the Association and it is believed that he brought his friend, ALBERT MATELENA, into the Association as an agent.²³

Following in the footsteps, and train tracks, of her daughter DOROTHY, ELIZABETH and JOSEPH VANKIRK headed to Elkton, Cecil County, Maryland where they were married on 15 March 1923. The ceremony was presided over by D. F. LOCKERBIE, Minister, the same who married her daughter DOROTHY six months earlier.²⁴ A notice in the *Mount Holly Herald* says that ELIZABETH was from Chesterfield despite her living in Trenton since 1918.²⁵ The notice appearing in the *Trenton Evening Times* gives the date as March 14th and gives their address as 522 Ingham Avenue.²⁶ Their home was just north of Calhoun Street and, somewhat ironically, just two blocks from Southard Street.

ELIZABETH and JOSEPH moved to 1620 South Broad Street shortly after marrying; they were joined there briefly in 1924 when her daughter and son-in-law, DOROTHY and ALBERT MATELENA, moved in with them.²⁷ ELIZABETH may have continued to run the confectionary store at 886 East State Street. By 1927 ELIZABETH and JOSEPH had separate homes: ELIZABETH VANKIRK lived at 127 Columbus Avenue, behind Saint Francis Hospital, while JOSEPH lived at 114 Pennington Avenue, Trenton.²⁸ In 1928 JOSEPH is still at 114 Pennington Avenue where he was joined by his

wife in 1929 when ELIZABETH is found as a *clerk*. In 1930 ELIZABETH is living at 114 Pennington Avenue and still a clerk while JOSEPH is living at 10 West End Avenue in the city directory.²⁹ The census returns for that year show her as a *saleslady* in a *candy store*. Her marital status is *widowed* which technically she was the widow of JOHN SOUTHARD, having married him when she was 19. She is a 47 year old lodger with the family of GEORGE and MARY PROCTOR and their 2 year-old son CHARLES at 114 Pennington Avenue. JOSEPH VANKIRK is not at this address and there is no mention of this second marriage. JOSEPH is found living as the head of one of the two families living at 10 West End Avenue. His children, both single, are living with him – ANNA, 35, and RALPH, 29 – both quite old to be single.³⁰ She seems to have continued running the lunch stand, being the *clerk*, as a 1930 photograph was taken in front of that business. ELIZABETH'S granddaughter DOROTHY NABINGER related that she believed both DOROTHY and MARION SOUTHARD had lived at 114 Pennington Avenue, and even identified a photograph of a young DOROTHY SOUTHARD as being taken at that address but this could be a mistake as several of the documented addresses were not known to this informant. However, according to the available records, 1927 is the first year that this address has been definitely connected to the family and both DOROTHY and MARION were married and had started families of their own by that year. Comparisons between the 1920 photograph and those of the possible buildings, both contemporary and recent, have proved fruitless with the identification of the location.

ELIZABETH died at her home at 114 Pennington Avenue on 22 January 1932 and was buried in *Bordentown Cemetery* next to her first husband. Her death certificate states she was a "lunch stand keeper" for five years; a resident of Trenton for five years (incorrect, she moved to Trenton fifteen years earlier); and cause of death was coronary sclerosis. The undertaker was CLARK B. ROGERS of Bordentown. Her parents are listed as WILLIAM PARKER and SARAH FRANCIS; "FRANCIS" was the surname of SARAH'S first husband. Her daughter MARION was the informant and however unlikely it is, she reported her mother's time in Trenton as five years when it was actually fifteen, so the lunch stand keeper information is also suspect. ELIZABETH definitely had the confectionary store on East State Street from 1918 until 1923 and she may have ran it for a number of years after moving from that property in 1923 but there is no documentation or personal recollections that have her running a business at some other location. After her death, the store became a shoe shop and repair business but by 2006 a lunch stand had returned to the premises.

An obituary in the *Trenton Times* stated accurately that she was forty-nine years old and she *died suddenly*. Funeral services were conducted from the home of her daughter MARION, at 320 Euclid Avenue, Trenton.³¹ The SOUTHARD grave marker is inscribed *ELIZABETH P. VANKIRK*, the *P* thought to stand for PARKER. A family story is that, at the funeral, ELIZABETH'S mother SARAH asked to have her daughter's winter coat.³² It's not known if she got it! It seems odd that she was no longer acknowledging her marriage to JOSEPH in 1930 yet whoever ordered and paid for the inscription used his surname just as she did in 1930; perhaps he paid for the work on the stone.

In 1940 the 70 year-old JOSEPH VANKIRK is still an insurance agent and is found as the head of one of the two families living at 917 East State Street, literally one half block away from the lunch stand. His younger brother WILLIAM, also an insurance agent, is living with the family. Son RALPH works as a gasoline station attendant and both his children and his brother are single while JOSEPH is reported as widowed.³³ JOSEPH died 1 October 1951 at 855 East State Street, a half block away in the other direction from the lunch stand, and is thought to be buried in Greenwood

Cemetery in Trenton. A search of the online database Find-A-Grave not only did not reveal him to be buried there, there is no indication of a burial for him in the entire state, nor is there any records for the burials of his son, daughter or brother anywhere in the state.

Issue:

1. EDITH SOUTHARD: Her birth certificate states her father is JOHN LAWRENCE, 24 and a laborer and her mother is LIZZIE PARKER, 21 and this is her first child. The medical attendant was a CHARLES L. DEY of Crosswicks. She died on 3 October 1910, at the age of 7, from diphtheria. Ptomaine poisoning is listed as a contributory cause on her death certificate. In the *Trenton Evening Times* of Wednesday, 5 October 1910, it was reported:

EDITH W. SOUTHARD

Special to the Times

BORDENTOWN, Oct. 5 – The funeral of EDITH W., the 7-year-old daughter of MR. and MRS. JOHN SOUTHARD, took place from the parents' residence, Crosswicks Street, Tuesday afternoon. Services were conducted at the grave by the REV. WILLIAM MITCHELL, pastor of Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church. Internment was at the Bordentown Cemetery under the direction of CLARK B. ROGERS.³⁴

The Baptismal Register of Trinity United Methodist Church shows that EDITH was baptized there on the day of her funeral, 4 October 1910. As noted earlier, two newspaper accounts of her death inexplicably give her name as MARION SOUTHARD.

2. MARION ELIZABETH SOUTHARD: Her birth date is not certain: the family Bible, in the possession of MARION'S daughter, MARION MAJOR, shows 7 February 1904; the New Jersey Registrar of Vital Statistics records 10 March 1905 and the Social Security Administration has 7 February 1905.³⁵ One possible explanation is the time delay between the event and the reporting of the event. Of course, this uncertainty when coupled with the inexplicable reporting of the death of MARION SOUTHARD from diphtheria in 1910 does raise some unanswerable questions. MARION moved to Trenton with her mother before 1920 and lived at the same addresses until marrying. MARION stated she worked for JOSEPH VANKIRK, her future step-father, as a secretary, probably in 1919 or 1920. In the 1921 Trenton City Directory she is found as a phone operator living at 385 Brunswick Avenue.³⁶ At some point before marrying she was a secretary at the Equitable Beneficial Association. She met DONATO (DANNY) NAPLES at a dance held at Woodlawn Pavilion. She married DANNY NAPLES on 31 August 1923 in Elkton, Cecil County, Maryland and resided in Trenton most of her life. DANNY was born 28 March 1901 and was an insurance agent for Equitable Beneficial Association. For more information on the NAPLES family, see the end of this section. He had lived with his family at 343 Elmer; after marrying they had set up their own home at 6 Hollywood Avenue, in the 6th ward. In the 1930 census they are found at the same address with two children, MARION and DANIEL JUNIOR, and DANNY'S sister LUCY. They moved to 320 Euclid Avenue where the funeral of ELIZABETH VANKIRK, MARION'S mother, was held in January 1932. In 1940 DANNY gave his home-based occupation as an *authority in fishing* with three children, FRANK having been born in 1932.³⁷ Ten years later, MARION'S sister DOROTHY MATELENA and her family would become their neighbors at 328 Euclid Avenue. They later moved to 89 Lakedale Drive in Lawrence Township. DANNY passed

away on 17 December 1968. In 1977 MARION was living with her son DANIEL in Milford, Connecticut and later with her daughter MARION in Longmeadow, Massachusetts. She passed away on 3 September 1988. They are buried in *Greenwood Cemetery*, Trenton, NJ.

- a. MARION THERESA NAPLES: born 12 June 1924; married PAUL REMI MAJOR (born 28 July 1923) on 28 June 1947. They lived in Longmeadow, Massachusetts through the 1970s and 80s, subsequently moving to neighboring Agawam. PAUL died 4 August 2007. MARION died 1 September 2013. They are buried in *Massachusetts Veterans Memorial Cemetery* in Agawam. Her obituary in *The Springfield Republican* of 6 & 7 September 2013

AGAWAM - Our ever gracious and kind mother, Marion Teresa (Naples) Major, 89, of Agawam, MA, died on September 1, 2013 at home. Born June 12, 1924 in Trenton, NJ, she was the daughter of Daniel J. and Marion E. Naples. In 1945 Marion was introduced to her future husband, Paul Remi Major, by her brother, Daniel John Naples, at Shaw Field in Georgia, where her brother and husband-to-be were cadets in the Army Air Corps. A year later, Marion graduated from The New Jersey College of Women (now Douglass Residential College - Rutgers) with a Bachelor's degree in Mathematics and Physics. Her "crown of jet black waves" and love of dancing were noted in the college yearbook. At her ten year reunion she received the award for most gray hair; early gray hair running in the family. After marrying Paul she moved from New Jersey to Springfield, Massachusetts. She later moved to Agawam, where she resided for the past 20 years. She loved living on the Connecticut River and was delighted by eagles that frequented her trees to hunt for fish. Marion worked at the family business as the financial officer from 1955, when it opened, until shortly before she died. Marion was a young 89 year old who loved life. Marion leaves a son, Dan A. Major of Agawam, MA; a daughter, April M. Rimpo and husband Charles R. Rimpo of Dayton, MD; and a grandson, Jeremy M. Rimpo, of Houston, TX. Marion was preceded in death by her husband, Paul Remi Major, and her brothers, Daniel John and Frank Anthony Naples. A Committal Service will be held on Monday, Sept. 9 at 3 PM at the Massachusetts Veterans' Memorial Cemetery, Main St., Agawam followed by a gathering at Marion's home.

- i. DAN ALAN MAJOR: born 26 September 1952.
 - ii. APRIL ELIZABETH MAJOR: born 18 April 1955. Married CHARLES ROBERT RIMPO (born 29 December 1949) on 6 August 1983.
 1. JEREMY MICHAEL RIMPO: born 26 November 1987.
- b. DANIEL JOHN NAPLES: born 11 September 1925. Married ANNAMAE BIRKENSTOCK (born 26 August 1932) on 16 August 1952. DANNY died from peritonitis on 17 October 1977 in Milford, New Haven County, CT. Buried *Greenwood Cemetery*, Trenton, NJ. ANNAMAE married second ROBERT NELSON ANDERSON. She died 15

October 1998. DANIEL and ANNAMAE had three children:

- i. DONNA NAPLES: born 5 October 1955. Her first husband's surname was WORTH and they had one son:

1. DANIEL JOHN WORTH: born 28 October 1978. He married JILL MOYER.

- a. PAYTON MARIE WORTH: born 30 December 2008.

- b. LOGAN MICHAEL WORTH: born 5 February 2010.

DONNA married second GLENN DAVID MEILINGER on 24 June 1994. They have:

2. JUSTIN JAMES MEILINGER: born 6 November 1995.

3. BRIAN ANDREW MEILINGER: born 1 August 1997.

- ii. JON DANIEL NAPLES: born 28 January 1958. Married MAUREEN HARRINGTON on 9 November 1991.

- iii. SCOTT WILLIAM NAPLES: born 6 April 1961. Married JENNIFER OLSEN and has one daughter:

1. ALLISON MARIE NAPLES: born 2 May 2004.

- c. FRANK ANTHONY NAPLES: born 12 July 1932; died 15 February 2004 in Hollywood, Broward County, FL.; *Greenwood Cemetery*, Trenton, NJ. He has two children by different wives. By *LAURA*, he had:

- i. MARC (*NAPLES?*)

By *JEANETTE*, he had:

- ii. JILL (*NAPLES?*)

- 3) DOROTHY SOUTHARD: While all three girls were given names that do not appear to have a familial origin, there was a DOROTHY D. SOUTHARD who died on 3 December 1905 in the area.³⁸ That DOROTHY accompanied her father to the funeral home where he worked in Bordentown is indicated by descendants relating that she "worked" in a funeral home. DOROTHY was just four years old when her father died which means that, while she may have recalled the funeral home, she did not work there. Another family story, this one about her marriage, is that her mother got her a job working in the Little Gem Restaurant where ALBERT MATELENA worked in 1922. ELIZABETH's husband JOSEPH and ALBERT both worked at Equitable Benefit Association at this time. The story continues with ELIZABETH promising the twenty-seven year old ALBERT that he could marry the fifteen year old DOROTHY, with DOROTHY's consent. A colorful story, but not quite accurate. ALBERT worked for JOSEPH VANKIRK at the Equitable Beneficial Association and through this he probably met DOROTHY. JOSEPH VANKIRK did marry ELIZABETH, but not until six months *after* DOROTHY and ALBERT married in November 1922. Their story is continued in their separate biographical section.

- 4) JOHN WILSON SOUTHARD: remembers being dunked in a font during his baptism at a Baptist Church.³⁹ He married OLIVE MAY SMITH (born 1909) in 1929. In 1930 they were boarders in the home of GEORGE and AMY BARBER at 156 Mercer Street in Trenton and WILSON worked in a garage.⁴⁰ By 1935 they moved to 87 Cherry Hill Road in Princeton Township and WILSON managed a dairy.⁴¹ They later moved to 170 Marlboro Road in Lawrence Township, a suburb of Trenton. Preferred to be called WILSON. WILSON worked for ARTHUR SCHMIDT as a heating

serviceman. He later worked for Trenton Lehigh Oil Company, retiring in 1990. He was a captain of the Lawrence Township First Aid Squad and a lifetime member of the Lawrence Road Fire Company. OLIVE recalls visiting "GRANDMOM" SOUTHARD in Chesterfield. *"She was a small woman. She showed me how she cleaned the parlor rug, no vacuum or carpet sweeper. We tore newspaper in small pieces, then soaked them in water, then spread them on the carpet, then we swept the rug with brooms. She never complained."*⁴² WILSON died 1 September 1994 and was buried in *Greenwood Cemetery*, Trenton, NJ. OLIVE continued to live in their home until her death in 1998.

- a) CAROL ANN SOUTHARD: born 20 May 1938, worked for the New Jersey Department of Health and lived in Pennington, New Jersey. After retiring she moved to Flemington, New Jersey.

NAPLES FAMILY⁴³

ANGELO NAPOLIELLO (NAPLES) born 1865; was 27 years old in 1887 when he left Italy and moved to the United States. MARIA LOUISE GERARDI, his wife, was two years his junior, being born in 1862. She had arrived in the US as a young girl in 1870. They would marry in the late 1880s or early 1890s and live in NJ where all their children were born. In 1900 they lived at 551 Chestnut Avenue; 114 Fulton Street in 1905 and 1910.⁴⁴ In 1920, they were making their home at 343 Elmer Street in Trenton's 9th ward, with 9 children! ANGELO worked as a "parkman" for the city at that time. ANGELO died 1 October 1929 and MARY died 31 December 1948 and both are buried in *Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery*. ANGELO had a brother named ROCCO who lived in Trenton (see below). Their children were:

- SAMUEL NAPLES: born 1892, WW I veteran; State Prison "keeper" as early as 1920; married SARAH MCFEE; died 22 October 1960. Lived with his brother Frank at end of his life. Buried in *Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery*, Trenton, NJ.
- SAMUEL NAPLES JUNIOR
- FRANK NAPLES: born 1895; WWI service 147th Infantry, 37th Division, wounded in France; wife named MARY; Mercer County Chief Detective; died 2 November 1964; buried in *Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery*, Trenton, NJ.
- FRANCES NAPLES
- LENA NAPLES born 1898, married MICHAEL FERRANTE, died 10 May 1952. Buried in *Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery*, Trenton, NJ.
- DANIEL NAPLES: born 28 March 1901. See section on MARION SOUTHARD.
- MARY NAPLES: born 20 October 1902; married NESTORE ERNEST PETRANGELI (1898 – 21 April 1971; owned Revere Restaurant on River Road in Ewing from 1932 to 1990; MARY moved to Yardley, PA after husband's death in 1971; MARY died 27 April 1995, Ewing Township; both buried in *Holy Sepulchre Cemetery*, Hamilton Township, Mercer County, NJ.
- ERNEST PETRANGELI
 - ALBERT J. PETRANGELI
 - ANGELO T. PETRANGELI
 - RENA PETRANGELI: 1923 – 23 September 2010; married THOMAS WOOLMAN (1920-1972); both buried *Saint Ignatius Cemetery*, Yardley, Bucks County, PA.
 - THOMAS WOOLMAN: born 1948, Trenton; died 29 September 2016, Yardley, PA; buried *Washington Crossing National Cemetery*, married JEAN REHAK 1969.
 - THOMAS WOOLMAN
 - STEVEN WOOLMAN
- ANGELO A. NAPLES, JR: born 1903; married JEAN FRASCELLA (1903-1967); died 29 April 1966, Trenton; buried *Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery*, Trenton, NJ.
- LUCY NAPLES born 1906; *LIZZIE*; married PETER PELLEGRINO (1896-1973); died 22 March 1961. Buried in *Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery*, Trenton, NJ.
- JOSEPH PAUL PELLEGRINO: 1933 – 1983.
 - MARILYN E. PELLEGRINO: 1939 – 2006; married GEORGE BOJARSKI (1936 – 24 December 2013).
- ROSE NAPLES: born 1909, married AUGUST MARCELLO/MARSHALL (1909-1990); lived in Florida by 1960; died 1999; *Forest Lawn Memorial Garden*, Fort Lauderdale, Broward County, FL. (MyLife.com lists a ROSE NAPLES as a relative of GEORGE NAPLES and Lawrence Township, NJ resident; born 6

April 1915, died 18 February 2004)

ROCCO A. NAPLES: born 1911; died in Hamilton Township, Mercer County on 19 March 1950; buried *Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery*, Trenton, NJ.

GEORGE W. NAPLES: born 22 February 1913; married ROSE BLUMBERG; died 1st week of June 1979 in Trenton.

- ANGELO GEORGE NAPLES
- RICHARD NAPLES born 9 October 1942. He married KAREN LEE (?; born 12 July 1948; died 9 June 2010) lives in Dania; now Dania Beach, north of Hollywood and south of Fort Lauderdale in Broward County, Florida (954-534-9365).
 - LISA FRANCES NAPLES, born 25 November 1977, graduated from Oakcrest High School in Mays Landing (NJ) or North Hollywood (FL) High School in 1996. Moved to Dania Beach; married ERIC COLEMAN (407-852-7997) and they live in Orlando, Florida. (info from MyLife.com and Intelius.com)

ROCCO A. NAPLES was the brother of ANGELO. He was born in 1866 in Italy; married ELIZABETH RADICE (1878 – 15 March 1962); died 2 April 1952; both interred *Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery*. Children:

- ROSE NAPLES: born 18 October 1898, Trenton; married JAMES A. DiLOUIE (1889-1960); died 5 August 1979; both interred *Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery*.
 - JOSEPHINE DiLOUIE: married PASSANANTE
- SAMUEL ALBERTO NAPLES: born 1901, Trenton; married THERESA COPPOLA (1913-2001); died 6 December 1983; buried *Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery* while THERESA is in their mausoleum.
 - GERARD S. NAPLES: born 1937, Trenton; died 9 April 2018, Trenton; buried *Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery*.
- GERARD NAPLES; born 1904, Trenton; married LILLIAN SIPPLEY; died 21 July 1967, Trenton; interred *Saint Paul's Parish Cemetery*, Princeton, NJ
- LENA NAPLES: married ANGELO POPOLIZIO

- ¹ Birth date obtained from death certificate of Elizabeth VanKirk. Birthplace surmised from census returns.
- ² *Red Bank Register*, 25 September 1901. Available at the Monmouth County Historical Society, Freehold, NJ.
- ³ 1900 US Census, Monmouth Co, NJ; Eatontown Township, ED 111, Sheet 4, Line 5. LDS T623, roll 986.
- ⁴ *Chesterfield Township Heritage* (Chesterfield Township Tercentenary Committee, Crosswicks, NJ) 1964, page 219.
- ⁵ 1910 U.S. Census (Free Schedule) Burlington County, NJ, Bordentown City, 15 April 1910, p.1A, family 9, dwelling 9, lines 36-40; LDS microfilm T624, roll 871, enumeration district 43.
- ⁶ *Trenton True American*, 18 Nov. 1909, 1:2; 30 Dec. 1909, 1:1; 31 Dec. 1909, 1:1; 15 Jan. 1910, 1:7; 18 Jan., 1:7; 19 Jan. 1910, 1:4; 21 Jan. 1910, 1:1; 28 Jan. 1910, 8:2; 31 Jan. 1910, 1:5; 9 Feb. 1910, 9:2; 11 Feb. 1910, 9:3; 15 Feb. 1910, 1:7; 23 Apr. 1910, x:2; 23 Jun. 1910, 3:1; and 25 Jun. 1910, 8:1.
- ⁷ *Trenton True American*, 5 October 1910, x:3; and *New Egypt Press*, 7 October 1910
- ⁸ *Mount Holly Herald*, 15 October 1910, 2:4.
- ⁹ Phyllis Craig, Bordentown Cemetery Association, 210 Crosswicks Rd., Bordentown, NJ 08505, letter to author, dated 28 April 1986.
- ¹⁰ Bordentown Cemetery, Avenue C, lot 16, section A.
- ¹¹ *Trenton Evening Times*, 26 October 1911, x:1; *Bordentown Register*, 27 October 1911, 3:1; *Mount Holly Herald*, 28 October 1911, 2:4; *Trenton Sunday Advertiser*, 29 October 1911, 5:x.
- ¹² *Trenton True American*, Friday, 30 August 1912, 7:4.
- ¹³ Marion Major, Longmeadow, MA, telephone conversation with author, 9 March 1986.
- ¹⁴ 1915 NJ State Census, Burlington County, Bordentown Township, 22 June 1915, Sheets 5A, Lines 49-50 & 5B, Lines 51-52, Family & Dwelling # 84 [name of road not given]
- ¹⁵ Olive (Smith) Southard, Lawrenceville, NJ, personal correspondence to author from, dated 3 March 1995.
- ¹⁶ 1915 NJ State Census, Mercer County, Trenton, 1st Precinct, 2nd Ward, 2 June 1915, Sheet 2B, Dwelling 38, Family 44, lines 61-66.
- ¹⁷ Marie Nabinger, conversation with author, 19 October 1985.
- ¹⁸ *Trenton City Directory*, 1917 and 1918 (page 967).
- ¹⁹ *Fitzgerald's Trenton and Mercer County Directory*, 1920, page unknown; Fitzgerald Directory Company, 14 N. Warren St., Trenton, NJ; obtained from internet listing at <http://trentonhistory.org>
- ²⁰ 1920 U.S. Census (Free Schedule) Mercer County, NJ, Trenton City, 12th ward, 28 January 1920, roll 1054, page 227; ED 99, sheet 23A, lines 16-24.
- ²¹ *Fitzgerald's Trenton and Mercer County Directory*, 1922, p.843; 1923, p.?.; Fitzgerald Directory Company, 14 N. Warren St., Trenton, NJ; available at Trenton Public Library, Trenton, NJ.
- ²² 1920 US Census (Free Schedule) Mercer County, NJ, City of Trenton, 522 Trent Street, Vol. 75, ED 32, sheet 11, line 76.
- ²³ Marion Major, telephone conversation with author, 22 December 2004.
- ²⁴ Cecil County (MD) Circuit Court, 129 East Main Street, Elkton, MD.
- ²⁵ *Mount Holly Herald*, 24 March 1923, 4:5.
- ²⁶ *Trenton Evening Times*, 18 March 1923
- ²⁷ *Fitzgerald's Trenton and Mercer County Directory*, 1924, p.980; Fitzgerald Directory Company, 14 N. Warren St., Trenton, NJ; available at Trenton Public Library, Trenton, NJ.

- ²⁸ Fitzgerald's Trenton and Mercer County Directory, 1927, p.918; Fitzgerald Directory Company, 14 N. Warren St., Trenton, NJ; available at Trenton Public Library, Trenton, NJ.
- ²⁹ Fitzgerald's Trenton and Mercer County Directory, 1928, p.934; 1929, p.963; 1930, p.946; Fitzgerald Directory Company, 14 N. Warren St., Trenton, NJ; available at Trenton Public Library, Trenton, NJ.
- ³⁰ 1930 U.S. Census (Free Schedule) Mercer County, NJ, Trenton City, 5th ward, block 218, 10 April 1930, ED 11-25, sheet 17A, lines 39 – 42, family 306, dwelling 319 (Elizabeth) and 2nd ward, block 55, 1930; ED 11-7, sheet 12A, lines 23-25, family 201, dwelling 210 (Joseph).
- ³¹ *Trenton Evening Times*, 23 January 1932. Available at Trenton Public Library.
- ³² Olive (Smith) Southard. See note 13.
- ³³ 1940 U.S. Census (Free Schedule) Mercer County, NJ, Trenton City, 2nd ward, block 10, 10 April 1940; ED 27-121, sheet 10A, lines 29-32, family 218.
- ³⁴ *Trenton Evening Times*, 5 October 1910 and *Trenton Sunday Advertiser*, 9 October 1910, 5:x.
- ³⁵ Application for Social Security Card, 043-58-9060, Social Security Administration.
- ³⁶ Fitzgerald's Trenton and Mercer County Directory, 1921, p.771; Fitzgerald Directory Company, 14 N. Warren St., Trenton, NJ; available at Trenton Public Library, Trenton, NJ.
- ³⁷ 1930 U.S. Census (Free Schedule) Mercer County, NJ, Trenton City, 10th ward, block 422, 17 April 1930; ED 11-41, sheet 20A, lines 34-48, Family 188, Dwelling 227 [and] 1940 U.S. Census (Free Schedule) Mercer County, NJ, Trenton City, 12th ward, block 7-8, 4 April 1940; ED 27-121, sheet 3B, lines 47-51.
- ³⁸ "Obituaries," *Trenton Sunday Advertiser*, 10 December 1905, 15:x.
- ³⁹ Carol Southard, message to author on Facebook, 5 August 2017.
- ⁴⁰ 1930 U.S. Census (Free Schedule) Mercer County, NJ, Trenton City, 3rd ward, block 88, 2 April 1930; ED 11-9, sheet 1B, lines 56-57.
- ⁴¹ 1940 U.S. Census (Free Schedule) Mercer County, NJ, Princeton Township, 11 April 1930; ED 11-65, sheet 5A, lines 21-23.
- ⁴² Olive (Smith) Southard. See note 13.
- ⁴³ 1920 U.S. Census (Free Schedule) Mercer County, NJ, Trenton City, 9th ward, 5 January 1920, roll 1054, page 227; ED 99, sheet 23A, lines 16-24 (and)
- 1930 U.S. Census (Free Schedule) Mercer County, NJ, Trenton City, 10th ward, block 422, 17 April 1930, roll 1364, page 212; ED 41, sheet 20A, lines 34-38 (and)
- Social Security Death Index, Daniel NAPLES, 146-26-4407.
- ⁴⁴ Fitzgerald's Trenton and Mercer County Directory, 1900; consulted online version at trentonhistory.org. 1905 NJ State Census, Mercer County, Trenton, 9th Ward, 9 June 1905, Sheet 17A, Dwelling 250, Family 276, lines 26-34. 1910 U.S. Census (Free Schedule) Mercer County, NJ, Trenton City, 9th Ward, 26 April 1910, ED 77; sheet 19B, Dwelling 233, Family 338, lines 96-100.